

UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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May 17, 1996

Mr. Ronald F. Drewnowski Public Service Electric and Gas Company 80 Park Plaza Newark, New Jersey 07102-4194

Dear Mr. Drewnowski:

This is in reply to your letter of May 15, 1996 requesting an extension of time to respond to our Request for Information involving the Diamond Alkali Superfund Site/Passaic River Study Area. The subject information request was made pursuant to Section 104 of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act, as amended.

After reviewing the circumstances surrounding your request and the need to provide a comprehensive and complete response, the Environmental Protection Agency hereby approves the requested time extension. Public Service has until July 30, 1996 to respond to the Request for Information.

If you have any questions or want to further discuss this matter, do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely yours,

John J. Trusc

John S. Frisco Deputy Director for New Jersey Programs Emergency and Remedial Response Division